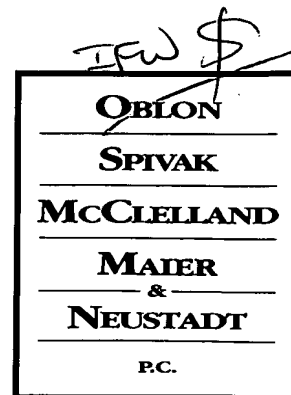




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Applicants: Klaus HARTH, et al.

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For: CATALYTIC BULK MATERIAL HAVING  
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THAT ARE ROUNDED OFF ON THE EXTERNAL  
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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**RESPONSE TO DECISION ON REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.42  
STATEMENT BY KARIN PÖPEL (EXECUTED)  
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (ONE MONTH)**

Our credit card payment form in the amount of \$120.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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In response to the Decision On Request Under 37 CFR 1.42 dated December 7, 2006, attached is a Statement By Karin Pöpel, which indicates that Karin Pöpel is the sole heir and legal representative of the inventor Wolfgang Jürgen Pöpel (deceased).

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Patent Office grant the above-identified application status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.42 and accept the Declaration filed April 7, 2006.

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STATEMENT BY KARIN PÖPEL

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This Statement is in response to the Decision on Request under 37 CFR 1.42 dated  
December 7, 2006.

I, Karin Pöpel, am the sole heir and legal representative of Wolfgang Jürgen Pöpel  
(deceased).

February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007

Date

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